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STATIONS AGREEMENT (NAOS) MARCH 30, 1973

MONTREAL FOR USREP ICAO

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1. U. S. EXPLAINED PHASE- OUT PROGRAM FOR ITS NORTH ATLANTIC
OCEAN STATIONS, POINTING OUT THAT ADMINISTRATION' S NEED TO DEAL
WITH RAPID INFLATION MADE BUDGETARY STRINGENCY AND TERMINATION
OF NAOS NECESSARY.

2. NETHERLANDS, IRELAND, BELGIUM, CANADA, U. K., AND FRANCE ALL
EXPRESSED CONCERN RE U. S. ACTION TERMINATING AGREEMENT,
PARTICULARLY ITS DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS ON METEOROLOGICAL
FORECASTS AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. BELGIUM POINTED OUT
THAT U. S. NOT LIVING UP TO TERMS OF AGREEMENT IN WITHDRAWING
TWO STATIONS PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 1974. IN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS
RAISED# U. S. STATED FUNDS HAD NOT BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM NAOS TO
WEATHER SATELLITES AND THAT U. S. STATIONS CANNOT BE CONTINUED
UNDER WMO AUSPICES ANY MORE THAN UNDER ICAO. DENMARK WAS MORE
MODERATE IN ITS REACTION TO U. S. PHASEOUT PROGRAM, POINTING OUT
WE SIGNED AGREEMENT SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDSTAND FACILITIES.
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3. ICAO SECRETARIAT THEN TOOK OVER CHAIRMANSHIP FOR AN ICAO INFORMAL MEETING ON NAOS REQUESTED EARLIER BY BELGIUM. BELGIUM SUGGESTED INFORMAL CONSIDERATION IN AMAY MEETING OF EUROPEAN ADVISORY STATES REGARDING TIMING FOR 8 TH NAOS CONFERENCE. BELGIUM THOUGHT SUCH A RECOMMENDATION TO ICAO COUNCIL WOULD BE USEFUL SINCE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL MEMBER STATES NOT PARTIES TO NAOS AGREEMENTS. MEETING ENDED WITH GENERAL CONSENSUS WMO TECHNICAL MEETING RE WEATHER SERVICES NECESSARY BEFORE 8 TH NAOS CONFERENCE. SECRETARIAT WILL REPORT MEETING TO ICAO COUNCIL, WHICH WILL ACT ON OUR REQUEST UNDER ART. XIX FOR NAOS MEETING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
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